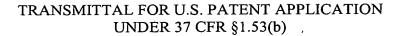
NT APPLICATION



Box Patent Application ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS P.O. Box 2327 Arlington, VA 22202

Attorney's Docket: 017575.0491



Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the original patent application of:

Inventors:

Charles H. Culp, et al

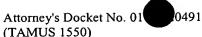
For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE IDENTIFICATION OF ENERGY CONSUMPTION SYSTEMS AND COMPONENTS

Enclosed are:

- 31 pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract; **(1)**
- 5 pages of Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney; **(2)**
- (3) 4 pages of Formal Drawings;
- 5 pages of an Assignment of the invention to Texas A&M University **(4)** System;
- 2 pages of separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.28 and § 3.31 is included with an Assignment recordal fee of \$40.00 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h);
 - 1 page Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail; (6)
 - Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i); **(7)**
- 12 Pages of a Preliminary Amendment correcting numbering of (8) claims; and
- This Transmittal Form with attached patent application filing fee in the amount of \$415.00.

| | FEE | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| | Number | | Number Extra | Rate | Basic Fee \$370.00 | | |
| Total Claims | 25 | - 20 | 5 | X \$ 9.00 = | 45.00 | | |
| Independent Claims | 2 | - 3 | -0- | X \$42.00 = | -0- | | |
| TOTAL FILING FEE = \$415.00 | | | | | | | |





Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$415.00 for filing fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

> BAKER BOTTS L.L.P. Attorneys for Applicants

Thomas A. Beaton Registration No 46,543

Date: 12/04/01

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS:

Baker Botts L.L.P. 2001 Ross Avenue, Suite 600 Dallas, TX 75201-2980

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

CULP, et al

Filing date:

December 4, 2001

Title:

System and Method for Remote Identification of Energy Consumption Systems and Components

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Honorable Assistant Commissioner

For Patents

P.O. Box 2327

Arlington, Virginia 22202

Dear Sir:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

I hereby certify that the attached Patent Application, Preliminary Amendment, formal drawings, Declaration, Power of Attorney, Nonpublication Request, Assignment, transmittal forms, and checks in the amounts of \$415.00 and \$40.00, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 on this 4th day of December, 2001 and addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 2327, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

Willie Jiles

Express Mail Receipt No. EL 501019449 US Attorney's Docket: 017575.0491

. PTO/SB/35 (11-00)
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

| | First Named Inventor | | Charles H. Culp | |
|--|----------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| NONPUBLICATION REQUEST UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) | | System and Method for Remote Identification of Energy Consumption Systems and Components | | |
| | Atty Docket Number | | 017575.0491 (TAMUS 1550) | |

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

Date

Signature

Thomas A. Beaton

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application **upon filing**.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant must notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).

Burden Hour Statement: This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.213(a). The information is used by the public to request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) (and the PTO to process that request). Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This form is estimated to take 6 minutes to complete. This time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.